

Mr. Speaker, Margaret Lamb is an inspiring woman who has lived her life according to her motto that getting along with people is the key to a successful and satisfying life. Margaret has served her community throughout her 83 years. Her hard work and dedication are an inspiration to all those around her, and I am honored to join with my colleagues today in saying thank you to her and wishing her good luck in the years to come.

A TRIBUTE TO FRIENDSHIP
BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 17, 2003

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Friendship Baptist Church in Pasadena, California. Friendship Baptist Church is one of the oldest congregations in Pasadena—celebrating its 110th anniversary this month with the theme “God’s People Working Together.”

Founded in September 1893, it was the first Negro Baptist church in the city and for many years had the largest membership of any African American church. Throughout its history, the church has played an important religious and civic role not only here in Pasadena, but also in Mexico, Australia and Africa as well.

Beginning as a Sunday school for Pasadena’s early Negro settlers, the devoted members later chartered themselves as a full-fledged Baptist Church. The church was organized in the hall located at 12 Kansas Street which has since become known as Green

Street. In 1897, the first building was erected on South Vernon Avenue at a cost of \$950.

The church grew and prospered under the leadership of several ministers until the 1920’s when Reverend W.H. Tillman led the members to acquire a new site and erect the present edifice. In January of 1925, the Reverend W.D. Carter was called to lead the congregation spiritually and complete an ambitious building, which stands today as a monument to the heritage of Pasadena’s African American citizens.

Since its ground breaking ceremony held in March of 1925, the Friendship Baptist Church has stood prominently for over 70 years as one of the visible landmark churches in Pasadena. It is the first African American related cultural landmark, recognized as a state of California landmark, and in 1978 was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in the United States of America.

I consider it a great privilege to recognize Friendship Baptist Church for its 110 years of service to the people of Pasadena. I ask all Members to join me in wishing Friendship Baptist Church many more prolific years of service to the community.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE BOWEN
FAMILY

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 17, 2003

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before this body of Congress and this nation today to pay

tribute to a creative and enterprising family from my state. Bill Bowen, along with his sons David and Roby, of Grand Junction, Colorado operate a unique business creating beautiful art out of large slabs of steel. For their hard work and many contributions to the Grand Junction community, I am honored to pay tribute to the Bowen Family here today.

Bill Bowen began working with metal as a young boy. The welding torch he used to build his mother a rose trellis soon became his ticket to building motorized vehicles and, eventually, amazing works of art. Most of the art that Bill and his sons started making in large quantities about 15 years ago revolve around the theme of dinosaurs, and their work has created quite a stir. People from all over the country and around the world have purchased the Bowen family’s hand-made sculptures, and the joy their work has brought to the thousands of owners and admirers is truly immeasurable.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Bill, David, and Roby Bowen here today. This trio often toils up to 70 hours a week in order to fashion their artistic creations for others to enjoy. The hard work and dedication they devote to their craft is reminiscent of the work ethic that helped make this nation great, and I am proud to bring these special individuals to the attention of my colleagues in this Congress. I congratulate the Bowen family for their success, thank them for their contributions to the Grand Junction community, and wish them all the best in the future.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, September 18, 2003 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 23

9 a.m.

Environment and Public Works

Business meeting to consider a bill to extend the authority of TEA-21 (Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century) for five months, to be immediately followed by a hearing to consider the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

SD-406

9:30 a.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine HIPAA medical privacy and transaction rules.

SD-628

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and restoring investor confidence.

SD-538

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine health technology.

SD-430

2 p.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Business meeting to mark up the National Consumer Credit Reporting System Improvement Act of 2003, the Defense Production Reauthorization Act of 2003, and The Federal Transit Extension Act of 2003.

SD-538

2:30 p.m.

Judiciary

Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine information sharing and coordination for visa issuance in relation to homeland security.

SD-226

Energy and Natural Resources

Water and Power Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine S. 213, to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project, S. 1236, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to control or eradicate tamarisk in the western States, S. 1516,

to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to assess potential increases in water availability for Bureau of Reclamation projects and other uses through control of salt cedar and Russian olive, H.R. 856, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise a repayment contract with the Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo project, Texas, and H.R. 961, to promote Department of the Interior efforts to provide a scientific basis for the management of sediment and nutrient loss in the Upper Mississippi River Basin.

SD-366

SEPTEMBER 24

9 a.m.

Environment and Public Works

Clean Air, Climate Change, and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the findings of the GAO concerning the Federal Emergency Management Agency's financial allocations and activities after the terrorist attacks on September 11th, and to conduct oversight on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's effectiveness since becoming part of the Department of Homeland Security.

SD-406

9:30 a.m.

Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine discrimination against employees and retirees relating to social security government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

SD-342

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Dale S. Fischer to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Claude A. Allen, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and Gary L. Sharpe to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York.

SD-226

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine intellectual diversity.

SD-430

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine S. 1601, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act to provide for the reporting and reduction of child abuse and family violence incidences on Indian reservations.

SR-485

2:30 p.m.

Judiciary

Crime, Corrections and Victims' Rights Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

SD-226

SEPTEMBER 25

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the report of the Panel to Review Sexual Misconduct Allegations at the United States Air Force Academy.

SH-216

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine counterterror initiatives in the terror finance program.

SD-538

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 606, to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions, the Workforce Investment Act Amendments of 2003, the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act, and pending nominations.

SD-430

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine proposed legislation to reauthorize the Head Start program.

Room to be announced

2:30 p.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard Eugene Hoagland, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan, Pamela P. Willeford, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Liechtenstein, and James Casey Kenny, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Ireland.

SD-419

SEPTEMBER 30

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the state of the securities industry.

SD-538

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine underage drinking.

SD-430

OCTOBER 2

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Energy and Commerce to examine activities of the National Institutes of Health.

SD-106

2 p.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine S. 1438, to provide for equitable compensation of the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation in settlement of claims of the Tribe concerning the contribution of the Tribe to the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam.

SR-485

OCTOBER 16

10 a.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Missouri River Master Manual.

SR-485

OCTOBER 21

10 a.m.

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings to examine S. 1565, to reauthorize the Native American Programs Act of 1974.

SR-485